

Amendment No. 2 to SB1762

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1762

House Bill No. 1696*

by inserting the following new section immediately preceding the last section and renumbering the subsequent section accordingly:

SECTION _____. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 9, Part 2, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

The Tennessee higher education commission shall coordinate and administer an orientation training program, as well as an ongoing continuing education program, to inform members of the board of trustees of their powers and duties. This training shall include a perspective on higher education that incorporates national experts in higher education governance. This training shall address the roles and responsibilities of governing boards; the legal and ethical responsibilities of trustees; the board's role in upholding academic standards, intellectual diversity, and academic freedom; budget development; presidential searches and evaluation; the role of higher education in K-12 collaboration; and setting strategic goals. Initial training shall be conducted prior to the first called meeting of the board. In subsequent years, all newly appointed members shall attend orientation seminars within their first year of service.